

The PRISM



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Alzheimer's Disease

I listened to a faithful husband talk about the difficulty he had taking care of his wife who was in the advanced stages of Alzheimer's disease. She no longer knew who he was. He spoke of the heartbreak and the loneliness that he suffered day in and day out. He then spoke of the commitment that he had made to his wife. He had vowed to be faithful or better or for worse, in sickness and in health. He would not turn his back on her now. He faithfully and lovingly fed her, dressed her, bathed her, and cared for her. He would have it no other way.

I can barely imagine what it might be like if my wife forgot me. I cannot even begin to relate to what it would be like for her not to remember our first date, or the first time we kissed. I cannot picture what it would be like for her to look at me with an inquisitive look, wondering who I am what my name is. I cannot imagine what it is to grieve for a loved one who is still there, yet not there.

There was a time when God's people utterly forgot him. Here are just a couple of examples:

"An ox knows its owner, And a donkey its master's manger, But Israel does not know, My people do not understand (Isa 1:3)."

"Can a virgin forget her ornaments, Or a bride her attire? Yet My people have forgotten Me Days without number (Jer 2:32)."

I wonder if God's grief was in any way similar to that man's grief on the radio? Like the man on the radio, his bride forgot him. However, there is a major difference. The wife of the man on the radio could not help losing her memory. It was a physical illness she had no control over. Not so with Israel. Israel's lack of memory was something they did have control over. They could have chosen to remember, but they did not.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest. Since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children (Hos 4:6)."

What would a man do if his wife intentionally forgot her husband? Wouldn't he reject her and move on? However, the Lord 's God and not a man (Hos 11:9). He does not reject forever nor does he forget.

"But Zion said, 'The Lord has forsaken me, And the Lord has forgotten me.' Can a woman forget her nursing child And have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you (Isa 49:14-15)."

God is faithful. Even though he had every right to reject us forever, he chose not to. Instead, he sent Jesus to die for us on a cruel cross. Let us never choose to have spiritual Alzheimer's. Let's do as Paul exhorts in this passage...

"Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descendant of David, according to my gospel...(2 Tim 2:8)"

— John Telgren, Leavenworth, KS



Please Pray For...

For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the lost in our families and community.

For the ban on partial birth abortion to stand as law.

Jeremiah Gayheart (8 yrs old) has an inoperable brain tumor.

Donally Grant (friend of Marta Brown) in Golden Years Home with complications from surgery was taken to Columbus this week.

Wanda Coriell remains stable at SOMC. She should be headed for rehabilitation this week.

Jacob Crawford (grandson of Rick & Marta Brown) was tested for digestive system problems.

Harry Woodworth is scheduled for a needle biopsy this Friday in Cincinnati. This is a retest of a mass in his lung.

Terry Young (Sara Gilliland's daughter) is in a time of trial. Prayers requested.

Merri Haywood had outpatient surgery at Bellfount Hospital on Friday and is doing well.

Judi Allison is suffering with aphtheous ulcers (sores in her mouth and throat) and is going back to the doctor tomorrow.

Shepherd's Prayer Session

This Thursday evening at 7:30 the shepherds and ministers of the congregation will be meeting for a special prayer session. If you have something that needs to be included in that prayer please give it to one of the shepherds in writing.

Impact Paperwork and Money

We need the Emergency Forms for Impact completed by the parents ASAP. Give them to Terry and they'll be mailed in. Also, if you have a money balance due for Impact, go ahead and give your money to Jason Coriell ASAP.

Welcome Visitors!

We gladly welcome you to our congregation, trusting that if you are seeking Christ you will find Him here. If sorrowing you will receive comfort, if troubled in spirit you will gain the blessing of peace, if discouraged you will rejoice in hope, if friendless you will find companionship and Christian love. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

Area Events

- April 20 Ladies Inspirational Evening--Alkire Road church of Christ--Details posted.
- April 22-25 Gospel Meeting at Friendship church of Christ with Jack Hall
- April 25, 10th Annual Tri-State Worship in Proctorville--Rome church of Christ

Food Donations Needed

As in the past we are soliciting food donations for the youth rally at Fort Hill next weekend.

These are the items we need:

- 2-liter bottles of pop (all flavors and some sugar-free).
- Breakfast cereal (all kinds) .
- Cookies (all kinds). If you send homemade cookies, put them in a disposable container please.

Please put donated items inside the glass door area in front of building if it's a time other than an assembly. Last pick up is 3:00 pm Thursday, April 22. Thank-you in advance!

Sunday PM Services

After a short period of worship we will be viewing the 8th Chapter of John and having a group discussion and Bible study based on it.

Teen Devo

Tuesday, 6:30 pm at Terry & Debbie's house. We'll be making road signs for the youth rally.

Looking Ahead at Sunshine

Apr. 23-25 - **Sunshine Youth Rally**
Jun. 18-21 - **Junior Impact**
Jun. 21-25 - **Senior Impact**
Jun. 28 - Jul. 2 - **Vacation Bible School**
Jul. 11-16 - **Sunshine @ Fort Hill Camp**

Scheduled Bible Study Texts

Sunday		Wednesday	
4/18	Lk 2:41-52	4/21	II Kgs 3-4
4/25	Mt 3:1-12	4/28	II Kgs 5
	Lk 3:1-20		
5/2	Mt 3:13-17	5/5	I Kgs 6:1-23
	Lk 3:21-22		
5/9	Mt 4:1-11	5/12	II Kgs 6:24-7:20
	Lk 4:1-13		
5/16	Jn 1:29-51	5/19	II Kgs 6:24-13:25
			Joel 1-3

Teens Arrival This Afternoon

Best estimate as to when our teens will be getting back from Marion is 4 pm this afternoon here at the building.

Skit Practice

Lord's Army members, we will be continuing our skit practices on Wednesday at 5 pm until the Youth Rally.

Youth Rally Leaders Meeting

This evening at 5 pm, all adults and chaperones working in the Fort Hill Youth Rally next weekend need to meet in the fellowship hall with Terry for the final shakedown.

Shiver Me Timbers!



Don't miss the boat!, the Great Pirate Adventure sets sail this coming weekend at Fort Hill Youth Camp! Registration begins Friday at 5:00 p.m.

— Terry & The Pirates

Lord's Army Working Hard

The month of April has been especially busy for the teens and the Lord's Army. When we finish the Youth Rally next weekend at Fort Hill, our young people will have performed at three different places (Woodsfield, Marion and Fort Hill) in one month. We are proud that this unit of the Lord's Army is working hard for Him.

—Terry and Debbie.

VBS Leaders/Planners Meeting

Tonight after evening services, Steve Miller will be meeting with all the leaders and planners for this years' VBS. Information and money will be available to get started. This meeting will last about 1/2 hour.

Welcome Newborns!

Kyle Alexander Glispie arrived Wednesday evening (4/14) at about 10 pm. He weighed 8 lbs, 4 oz and measured 22 inches in length. Mom and baby seem to be doing well. Look for him to show up at church very soon. Congratulations to the Glispie and Havens family.

We also welcome Logan Scott Neil, the new great grandson of Don and Millie Lemon. He was born to Matt and Heather (Lemon) Neil, Friday, April 9. He weighed 7 lbs 11 oz and measured 20 inches in length. Congratulations to the Lemon family on this new addition.

National Day of Prayer

May 5 has been declared a National Day of Prayer. We will be participating in the public reading of scripture that is done in association with the National Day of Prayer. Our congregation is scheduled to cover Wednesday, May 5, 3-5 pm. If you can be present at the county court house to read scripture for 1/2 hour please sign up for the slot on the bulletin board. See Steve Miller for details.

Early Deadline

Due to the youth rally next weekend, news for next Sunday's bulletin must be in by 8:00 a.m. FRIDAY morning.

— Al Graff

Those Who Serve

Scheduled Services

<u>Sunday Morning</u>	<u>April 18</u>	<u>April 25</u>
Bible Class Text	Luke 2:41 -52	Mt. 3:1-12, Lk 3:1 -20
Welcome & Prayer	Jon Coriell	Wayne Gampp
Song Director	Scott Gampp	Shaun McCray
Scripture Reading	Al Graff	Eric McLaughlin
Prayer	Jason Coriell	Mike Gampp
Lord's Supper - Wine	Mike Coriell	Rich Book
Bread	Terry Sullivan	John Berry
Assist	Ike Hardin	Dale Gampp
Assist	John Oesch	Homer Miller
Assist	Chuck Allison	Ryan Coriell
Assist	Jim Jacobs, Sr.	Matt Cram
Message	Steve Miller	Jamie Riley
Closing Prayer	Jamie Riley	Mark Risner

<u>Sunday Evening</u>		
Song Director	Jeff Hayward	Gabe Coriell
Opening Prayer	Gabe Coriell	Scott Gampp
Lord's Supper	Greg Coriell	Eldon Conkel
Closing Prayer	Bud Coriell	Mark Gampp

<u>Wednesday Evening</u>		
Song Director	Zach Coriell	Josh Coriell
Prayer	Don Coriell	Aaron McCray
Bible Class Text	II Kings 3-4	II Kings 5

Sunday
Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship - 10:30 am
Eve.Worship - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday
Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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